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This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated March 21, 2006, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

The Applicants hereby petition for an extension for response filed within the first month to make this response timely.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 6 of this document, and include attached drawing sheets.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows:

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